

**MINUTES OF RAMSDEN CRAYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE SHEPHERD AND DOG PUBLIC HOUSE**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllr. D. McPherson-Davis – Chairman, Cllr. G. Jenkins and  
Cllr. M. Kirby

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mrs. G. Bassett – Parish Clerk/RFO and Cllr. T. Ball – ECC  
6 members of the public

**154/18 Apologies for Absence:**

To note the resignation from Norman Flint and thank him for his years' commitment to the Parish and advertise vacancy. Receive apologies from Cllr. M. Buckley.

**155/18 Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 were considered as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr. Jenkins and seconded by Cllr. Kirby to accept as a true record – **agreed**.

**156/18 Declaration of Members Interests:**

Pecuniary interests received from Cllr. M. Kirby and Cllr. D. McPherson-Davis on agenda item 158/18 (i).

**157/18 Public Forum:**

- (i) Residents raised objections regarding the retrospective application to the rear of Belvoir Maison 18/01457/FULL.
- (ii) Residents raised objections regarding the planning application for 18/01458/FULL – land to the rear of Belvoir Maison.

**Borough and County Councillors:**

Cllr. Ball provided an update. Both he and Cllr. Buckley had made a tour of the division to seek out pothole defects including kerb and pavements. They have reported in excess of forty in the area which due to inclement weather will be considered for May 2019.

Apologies from Cllr. Ball that he did not attend the Memorial Service at Ramsden Crays, attended at Wickford and then afterwards a Beacon lighting event.

**158/18 Finance Report:**

- (i) **Expenditure:**

Clerk/RFO November 2018 Salary/Expenditure	£ 605.78
Bradford Memorials Limited	£ 504.00
Bus Shelters – cleaning November	£ 80.00
Printer - D. Acton - Newsletters	£ 100.00
M. Kirby installation, shrubs, mileage	£1,848.50
D. McPherson-Davis Shrubs – plants	£ 789.30
- (ii) Barclays Bank balance at 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2018 - £14,648.87 (includes £5,385.91 ½ precept – October, 2018). Three uncleared cheques balance therefore agrees.

Members reviewed the above and it was **agreed** to sign the cheques at the end of the meeting as there were a lot of items to consider on the agenda.

Cllr. Jenkins **agreed** to approve the signature of the cheques.

Cllr. McPherson-Davis proposed and Cllr. Jenkins **agreed** the bank balance.

## 159/18 Planning:

Applications:

**Application No: 18/01329/FULL.** Demolition of existing outbuilding and construction of a new detached chalet.

**Location:** Woodlands, Gardiners Lane North, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

Objected prior to the meeting by the Parish Council.

**Application No: 18/01346/COND.** Application for approval of details reserved by Condition 2 (Materials), Condition 3(Boundary Walls), Condition 4 (Landscaping), Condition 9 (Surface Water Discharge) and Condition 11 (Construction Method Statement) of consent 18/0008/FULL.

**Location:** Whites Bridge Cottage, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex. No comment.

**Application No: 18/01380/OUT.** Proposed detached bungalow and garage.

**Location:** Content Gardiners Lane North.

The Parish Council objected on the grounds of green belt land.

**Application No: 18/01405/COND.** Discharge of condition 5 of planning permission 18/00928/VAR (arboricultural matters).

**Location:** Chestnuts Service Garage, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

The Parish Council noted.

**Application No: 18/01457/FULL.** Retrospective application for an outbuilding comprising a WC and drying garden storage room.

**Location:** Land to the rear of Belvoir Mason, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

The Parish Council objected on the grounds of permanent building erected in the greenbelt and contrary to greenbelt policy.

**Application No: 18/01458/FULL.** Demolish greenhouses and construct detached garage.

**Location:** Land to the rear of Belvoir Mason, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

The Parish Council objected on the grounds of in the greenbelt and overdevelopment.

### Responses received from Basildon to consider:

Longwood, Crays Hill, Foyers, Crays Hill, land to rear of Highlands – Pond Farm, land at the south end of the Pond Farm.

It was noted that responses are awaited.

### Decided:

**Application No: 18/01166/COND.** Approval of details reserved by conditions 5 (boundary treatment) and 6 (landscaping) of consent ref: 15/01130/FULL.

**Location:** The Woodmans Lodge, Oak Road, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex. **Granted.**

**Application No: 18/01083/FULL.** Proposed retention of detached garage and gym/games room outbuilding, constructed 800mm wider than previously approved.

**Location:** Jasmin, Southbourne Grove, Billericay, Essex. **Granted.**

Not in the parish.

**Application No: 18/01127/FULL.** Part two storey and part single storey rear extension.

**Location:** 8 Staceys Mount, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex. **Granted.**

**Application No: 18/01331/FULL.** Single storey flat roofed rear extension.

**Location:** Teagles, Crays Hill, Ramsden Crays, Billericay, Essex. **Granted.**

### Consultations:

Environmental Protection Act 1990 Part IIA – Contaminated Land Strategy Consultation – responses by 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2018. No comment.

### **Meeting closed 7.35 p.m.**

Residents expressed their views and suggestions on the local plan consultation.

### **Meeting opened 8.05 p.m.**

The Parish Council **agreed** following the above and its discussion to have an Extraordinary Meeting on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 at 7.00 p.m. to make its decision to the response to the Local Plan Consultation in more detail.

Revised Local Plan consultation ends 17.12.18 at 17.00 hours.

<http://basildon-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal/localplan/rplp>

Following consultation the PC will prepare and deliver a newsletter to residents for their support regarding their alternative proposals.

Community Governance Review on electoral arrangements. Parish Council to consider the proposals put forward for change by 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018 – [elections@basildon.gov.uk](mailto:elections@basildon.gov.uk)

The Clerk/RFO to write to Basildon to confirm that the Parish Council's earlier comments requesting no amendments/change on its responses to the Community Governance Review are not to be altered.

[EssexHighways.UserSurveys@EssexHighways.org](mailto:EssexHighways.UserSurveys@EssexHighways.org) consultation. No comment.

EALC Strategic Plan Consultation Timeline questionnaire the Parish Council to consider and reply to Clerk for response prior to 7th December, 2018.

### **160/18 Community Projects:**

- (i) Permission received for the notice board to be installed at Gardiners Lane North.
- (ii) Plants and shrubs have been installed in the Parish in various locations.
- (iii) A pathway to be considered for the notice board at Gardiners Lane North junction deferred.
- (iv) The Parish Council noted the response from Basildon that it will not remove the waste from the bins if replaced at the four bus shelters should the Parish Council decide to purchase and arrange installation direct attached to the bus shelters. The Clerk to contact Basildon Borough Councillor responsible for this area for an explanation and communicate this situation with ABLC and Cllr. Sargent.
- (v) The additional names to the War Memorial were noted that had been inscribed prior to the Memorial Service.
- (vi) No information on the decision for the application for funding for ECC Community Initiatives Fund towards a replacement notice board at the corner of Church Lane and Crays Hill has to date been received. Although it is understood there is a panel review shortly.
- (vii) Members noted that there was positive feedback to the Remembrance Service – 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.
- (viii) It was noted there had been a presentation at County Hall on the pilot scheme of Devolution and Public Realm – Highway Services and further information should be available to the Council.
- (ix) It was noted that the Footpath 70 at the rear of Gardiners Lane North had been cleared.

- (x) The situation regarding the trucks carrying earth along Church Road through Ramsden Crays was considered and it was noted this has lessened. To continue to review.
- (xi) The Parish Council is awaiting further update on training on the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 which is to be considered/amended where possible to the website prior to 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019.

**161/18 Clerk Report:**

The Clerk had provided various issues of training, policies, budget and projects within the Parish.

**162/18 Budget/Precept 2019/2020:**

The Parish Council to consider responses from residents for projects for the budget – precept to review prior to the December meeting.

**163/18 Year End – Internal Auditor:**

The Parish Council considered the current appointment of an internal auditor for the year 2018/19 and the way forward. It was noted that there is no legislation to amend current arrangements. Internal audit appointment for review for tender every three years – financial regulations. Review internal auditor at the December meeting.

**164/18 Travellers:**

The response from Basildon Borough Council on the traveller situation was noted.

**165/18 Information/Correspondence/External Meeting Reports from Parish Councillors:**

Cllr. McPherson-Davis provided feedback on the recent ABLC Meeting and Basildon Borough Council Liaison Meeting. Community Governance Review discussed and the Parish Councils noted that the Officer responsible was not in attendance at the meeting and comments made by the Parish Councils in the Basildon Borough in relation to the review were ignored.

The EALC meeting to be attended by Cllr. McPherson-Davis will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2018.

**166/18 Public Question Time:**

Questions from the public.

Letter received in relation to high speed broadband for the village and if the Parish Council will promote and/or make residents more aware.

**167/18 Date of Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Extraordinary Meeting Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 p.m. and the scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 at 7.00 p.m. at the Shepherd and Dog Public House.

**168/18 To Consider the Exclusion of the Public and Press:**

The council considered the exclusion of the public and press due to the confidential matters arising in item 169/18 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

Proposed by Cllr. McPherson-Davis and seconded by Cllr. Jenkins - **agreed.**

Meeting ended at 9.00 p.m.

Signed .....  
Chairman

Date .....